

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1 (previously presented). A composition comprising fungal particles of a filamentous fungus and a powdered gluten wherein the ratio of the weight on a dry matter basis of said gluten to the weight on a dry matter basis of said fungal particles in said composition is greater than 1.

2 (original). A composition according to claim 1, wherein the fungal particles in said composition include at least 80wt% of fungal mycelia.

3 (previously presented). A composition according to claim 1, wherein fungal particles in said composition comprise filaments having a length of greater than 100µm and less than 1000µm.

4 (previously presented). A composition according to claim 1, wherein fungal particles in said composition comprise filaments having an aspect ratio of greater than 100 and less than 1000.

5-11 (canceled).

12 (previously presented). A composition according to claim 1, wherein said ratio of the weight of said gluten to the weight of said fungal particles is greater than 2 and less than 50.

13 (previously presented). A composition according to claim 1, wherein the ratio of the weight of said gluten to the weight of said fungal particles is greater than 7 and less than 50.

14 (previously presented). A composition according to claim 1, wherein the ratio of the weight of said gluten on a dry matter basis to the weight of water in said composition is at least 0.05 and is less than 1.

15 (currently amended). A composition according to claim 1, which comprises fungal particles of a filamentous fungus, water and gluten, wherein the ratio of said gluten to fungal particles is greater than 7 and less than 30 and the ratio of gluten to the weight of water in said composition is less than 0.75 and greater than 0.1.

16 (previously presented). A method of making a composition according to claim 1, the method comprising contacting fungal particles and a powdered gluten in the presence of water.

17 (previously presented). A method according to claim 16 wherein, in the method, 0.5 to 5wt% of fungal particles on a dry matter basis are contacted with 10 to 40wt% of said gluten on a dry matter basis and with 55 to 89.5wt% of water.

18-23 (canceled).

24 (previously presented). A composition according to claim 1 which is substantially homogeneous.

25 (previously presented). A composition comprising fungal particles of a filamentous fungus and gluten, wherein the ratio of the weight on a dry matter basis of said gluten to the weight on a dry matter basis of said fungal particles in said composition is greater than 1, and wherein said filamentous fungus and gluten are part of a continuous phase.